GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the contract services of the Pilots, Crew and ground staff of Alliance Airlines have been examined;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the employees as above in the Alliance Airlines are on contract basis in the said Airlines;

(d) if so, whether the Aircrafts in the Alliance Airlines are very old and need repair/upgradation to minimise life risk of passengers and to survive in competitive market; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken to replace the old aircrafts and to made the said Airlines profitable one?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a),(b) and (c): The manpower requirements of Alliance Air are firstly met through employees on deputation from Indian Airlines and in case of non-availability with Indian Airlines, induction of personnel with specific qualifications and experience through the open market on contract basis.

(d): The average age of B-737-200 aircraft in the fleet of Indian Airlines/Alliance Air is 18.9 years.These aircraft are maintained in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the manufacturers and approved by the Director General of Civil Aviation. Only such aircraft as are certified airworthy by the Director General of Civil Aviation pressed into operation.

(e): A Techno Economic evaluation study, to replace the ageing fleet of B-737 and A-300 aircraft and also to augment fleet capacity of Indian Airlines, is currently underway.